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## Election 2013

# Greenbelt East Sponsors First Council Candidates Forum

by Thomas X. White

The first candidates forum was held by the Greenbelt East Advisory Coalition (GEAC) Thursday, October 3, at the Greenbriar Community building. Meeting hosts Tom Crandall and Terese Benedick introduced a different format for the evening.

Instead of the nine council candidates sitting together up front at a large table and providing their backgrounds and reasons for standing for election for council scheduled for Tuesday, November 5, each candidate was assigned to an individual table with four chairs. At those nine stations, candidates could have one-on-one or group discussions with the attendees and the attendees could circulate among the tables.

Midway through the evening, Crandall called each of the candidates up to the podium to speak for three minutes about their candidacy for council. Those brief remarks were followed by a return to the individual candidate tables for additional discussions with attendees. At the end of the forum, candidates were invited

back to the podium for brief final remarks.

The attendees numbered about 30 people, with most representing either Greenbelt East or center city neighborhoods. Greenbelt's new House of Delegates representative, Alonzo Washington, also attended. Unlike traditional Greenbelt candidate forums there was no open questioning of the candidates from either the meeting hosts or the overall audience.

### Opening Remarks

Susan Stewart is making her first run for the Greenbelt City Council. She and her husband and son have lived in Greenbelt for seven years. She has been taken by the spirit of the community and is well into the volunteering culture of Greenbelt. Her activities have been directed mainly to environmental issues, including the Chesapeake Climate Action Network. With her candidacy, she said, she is offering more strategy in how the council addresses governmental issues.

Silke Pope, a two-term councilmember, is seeking a third term. She and her family have

lived in Greenbelt for 15 years. For most of that time she has worked in the Prince George's County Public Schools system. She indicated that she likes the new format for the forum and asked attendees to stop by her table. She expressed support for traffic calming devices and speed cameras, mainly to create safe routes to schools and to protect pedestrians. She also welcomes smart growth and development.

Konrad Herling is completing his fifth term on council. His focus is on unifying the city and developing a smarter economic development strategy for the city as well as an increased capacity for economic development programs within the city government. He continues to advocate for improved public transportation access for Greenbelt and more bus shelters. With his long-standing participation in Greenbelt arts programs, he also

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# Local Rotary Club Wants Greenbelters to Join Them

by Stephen Waldron

Greenbelt's Rotary Club has led community service projects and sponsored fundraisers in the city for over 25 years but none of its current members are Greenbelt residents. The club's president, LeRoy Tillery, says that Rotary aims to change that fact.

"We're actively working with the city government to have somebody from the council as a part of Rotary," said Tillery, "Since we do so many things in Greenbelt, we'd love to have their participation."

Tillery became president in June and joined the club four years ago. He says it was the club's community outreach projects that appealed to him.

As for Rotary's current lack of Greenbelt residents, Tillery believes that it might be caused by time constraints or the recent economic decline. Many members of the club work in the Greenbelt area, including Tillery who works in commercial lending for local banks. Rotary's weekly meetings



PHOTO BY STEPHEN WALDRON

**District Governor of Washington-area Rotary clubs Peter Kyle, right, shakes hands with Greenbelt Rotary President LeRoy Tillery when Kyle visited the Greenbelt club to discuss to importance of Rotary work and community service.**

take place early in the morning so that members can attend before work.

Louis Pope is a real estate broker in Greenbelt and joined Rotary because he wanted to improve the community where he works. He looks forward to the club's weekly meetings to discuss how the members can help Greenbelt.

"I live and breathe it every week and if I have a pet project, they listen," said Pope. "Most of my charitable donations are

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## What Goes On

**Friday, October 11**

**12:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.,** Blood Drive, Community Center  
**1 to 3 p.m.,** Oktoberfest, Community Center Gym, Sponsored by Greenbelt Senior Center

**Saturday, October 12**

**9 a.m. to noon,** Donation Drop-off, Parking Lot between City Offices and Community Center

**Monday, October 14**

**8 p.m.,** City Council Meeting, Municipal Building, Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at [www.greenbelt-md.gov](http://www.greenbelt-md.gov)

**Tuesday, October 15**

**7 p.m.,** Council Candidates Forum, Municipal Building, Sponsored by GHI, Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and Streaming at [www.greenbelt-md.gov](http://www.greenbelt-md.gov)

**Saturday, October 19**

**9 a.m. to 1 p.m.,** Club House at Schrom Hills Park. Early Voting.

**9 a.m. to noon or until truck is full,** Shredding Day, Parking Lot behind Credit Union at 112 Centerway

**2 to 6 p.m.,** Fall Fest, Schrom Hills Park

**Sunday, October 20**

**11 a.m. to 2 p.m.,** Club House at Schrom Hills Park. Early Voting.

## Election 2013

# Rodney Roberts Seeks Re-election to Council

*Incumbent Rodney Roberts has submitted his biography for publication in this week's News Review. His nomination form has been certified by City Clerk Cindy Murray along with those of incumbents Judith Davis, Konrad Herling, Emmett Jordan, Leta Mach, Silke Pope, Edward Putens and challengers Susan Stewart and William Orleans.*

*Biographies of Davis, Putens, Pope, Mach, Herling and Jordan were published in prior weeks. The biographies are prepared by the candidates.*

## Rodney Roberts

Rodney Roberts, 55 years old, is a life-long Greenbelt resident, who lives with his wife, Tara. He attended Prince George's County schools and was active in sports with the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club.

A 1975 graduate of the National Technical Institute, College Park, Roberts is the sole proprietor of a small business that specializes in on-site repairs of various types of equipment and vehicles (celebrating 15 years in business).

Roberts is serving his 11th term on council. He attended nearly every council meeting during the four years prior to his being elected to council in 1991, becoming known as an



Rodney Roberts

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## Election 2013

# Answers To Our Question

*This year, the Greenbelt News Review poses one question to all candidates for election to the Greenbelt City Council and asks that candidates provide their answers in writing to the News Review no later than Monday, October 7 for publication in an October issue of the News Review. Each week answers from three candidates will be published in the order received. Answers are limited to 500 words or less.*

**Question: If elected to the Greenbelt City Council what will be your three most important objectives to be accomplished during your term in office and how do you expect to succeed in accomplishing each objective?**

### Konrad Herling

**Priority #1:** Create an office of economic development, or, at minimum, hire an economic development director. Of the five most populous cities in our County, Greenbelt is the only one which does not have either a director of economic development or an office of economic development. It is time that we seriously explore this approach. Why should we consider this approach?

First, by effectively marketing our assets and location, we could attract new businesses, particularly environmentally based ones, to Greenbelt. Further, pending County legislation to provide tax credits to environmentally based firms if they locate in Prince George's County could reinforce such efforts in Greenbelt. This would help put a dent in the significant office vacancy rate, which has been as high as 25%.

Second, revenue derived from greater vibrant economic activity could be allocated towards city services. Over the last three decades, a higher percentage of City revenue has been derived from personal property tax rates to pay for our excellent programs and services. Greater revenues derived from economic development could stabilize that trend, perhaps making it possible to reduce property tax rates, while maintaining our high level of services.

Third, effective marketing, including promoting Greenbelt's activities at Metro's green line stops, could very well result in increased patronage of programs and amenities which make our City special.

Citizen input will be key to the City's movement on this issue.

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## Museum Lecture Is Tuesday On Selecting City’s Pioneers

On Tuesday, October 15 at 7:30 p.m. a free lecture on selecting Greenbelt’s pioneer families will be held in Room 201 at the Greenbelt Community Center.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum (FOGM), the lecturer will be Sally Sims Stokes, a faculty librarian with the University of Maryland Art and Architecture Libraries. A Greenbelt resident, Stokes is a FOGM board member and museum volunteer. She will discuss her Resettlement Administration research on the selection process.



**In 1937 women with prams turn into Greenbelt’s original Tenant Selection Office.**  
– 1937 FSA photo by John Vachon, courtesy Library of Congress

More information is available at [www.greenbeltmuseum.org](http://www.greenbeltmuseum.org). The museum’s regular annual lecture series for 2014 will begin January 21, 2014.

### ERHS Performing Arts Festival Mon. – Thurs.

Next week Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) will hold a Greenbelt Community Creative and Performing Arts Festival from Monday, October 14 through Thursday October 17 in the school’s auditorium. It is free and open to the public. ERHS is at 7601 Hanover Parkway.

Programs will be held daily from 7 to 8 p.m. each night, with a Visual Art Show of student artwork in the lobby from 6:30 p.m. Scheduled performances are: drama and piano Monday, October 14; band Tuesday, October 15; choir and dance Wednesday, October 16; and strings Thursday, October 17. All are invited to attend to see and hear arts and performances by local students.

Schools participating in the festival include ERHS, Greenbelt Middle School, Robert Goddard Middle School, Hyattsville Middle School (Drama) and Greenbelt, Springhill Lake, Magnolia and Glenarden Woods elementary schools.

### Credit Union Holds Shredding Day

On Saturday, October 19 from 9 a.m. to noon the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union will sponsor a Shredding Day in the parking lot between the credit union and the Municipal Building.

There is a limit of five boxes of personal papers. No untended papers can be accepted or shredded.

### Dems Club Oct. 18 Meeting Cancelled

The Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club meeting with the Governor Oden Bowie Democratic Club on Friday, October 18 has been cancelled. It will be rescheduled at a later date.

The speaker will be announced closer to the November meeting date.

Nominations for next year’s board of directors are currently being solicited. For more information or to submit a nomination call Konrad Herling at 301-345-9369 or email [kongeneherl@gmail.com](mailto:kongeneherl@gmail.com).

## Letters

### FOGL DVDs Stolen

The Friends of the Greenbelt Library (FOGL) are sad and angry to report that on our fourth day (Oct. 4) of operating on the honor system, with payment for items deposited in a lock box, someone stole all of the DVDs in our bookstore.

At \$2 per DVD, we estimate a loss of sales of perhaps \$400 to \$500. As we use this money primarily to pay for the Greenbelt library’s Summer Reading Program, this is a loss for all the youngsters who enjoy the events that are part of the program.

We are discussing the feasibility of installing a camera in the bookstore.

We sincerely hope that the person who took our DVDs will either return them or, please, put payment for them in the lockbox located just to the right of the shelves emptied when the DVDs were taken.

Thank you.

*Marsha Voigt  
FOGL Treasurer*

### THANKS!

Thanks to everyone who participated in Sunday’s swap of “clothing and more” at the Farmers Market, especially to all our volunteers. We were able to donate the books to the Greenbelt Library and maternity and baby clothing to the Pregnancy Aid Center in College Park.

*Li’l Dan Celdran,  
Mamas and Papas*

**Holy Cross Thrift Store**  
Every Thursday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
**CLOSED**  
two weeks for remodeling

Shirts, sweaters, blouses for women,  
shirts and children!  
Shoes, jewelry, books, etc.

6905 Greenbelt Road  
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**OLD GREENBELT THEATRE**  
**WEEK OF OCT 11**  
**ENOUGH SAID**  
(PG-13)  
**FRIDAY**  
\*5:30, 7:30, 9:20  
**SATURDAY**  
\*1:20, \*3:20, \*5:20, 7:30, 9:20  
**SUNDAY**  
\*1:20, \*3:20, \*5:20, 7:30  
**MONDAY – THURSDAY**  
\*5:30, 7:30

\*These shows at \$6.50  
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Grin Belt

**"Since your Fiscal Cliff Dive went viral, I am offering you a role in Gravity2."**

### Senior Oktoberfest Is on October 11

Friday, October 11 from 1 to 3 p.m. is Greenbelt’s annual Oktoberfest, in the Community Center Gym.

Helmut Licht will provide musical entertainment from 1 to 2:15 p.m., followed by light refreshments. The event is free.

Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

### MVA Will Be Closed For Columbus Day

The Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) will close its full-service and express offices on Saturday, October 12 and Monday, October 14 in observance of the Columbus Day holiday. All Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program (VEIP) stations will also close.

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DEADLINES: Letters, Articles and ads—10 p.m. Tuesday. Materials for publication may be mailed to address above, deposited in our box in the Co-op grocery store (by 7 p.m. Tuesday) or brought to our office in the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, during office hours. Mail subscriptions—\$45/year.

Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.  
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.

Correction

In the announcement for this year’s GIVES-sponsored AARP Safe Driving Course the wrong date was given. The correct date for the course is Thursday, November 7. Pre-registration is required. The News Review regrets the error.

**NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS**  
**PRELIMINARY AGENDA**  
**GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MEETING**  
**Thursday, October 17, 2013**  
GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 7:30 PM

**GHI Key Agenda Items:**

- Yard Line Certifications: 46A-M Ridge Road
- Review Building Committee Recommendation for Phase 3 of the Pilot Program
- Review Proposed Contract for External Auditing Services
- Companion Animal Committee's Report on Disaster Preparedness Event
- Buildings Committee Recommendation Re: Removal/ Reinstallation of A/C Units in Phase 3 of the Pilot Program

Regular Board meetings are open to Members  
For more information, visit our website - [www.ghi.coop](http://www.ghi.coop)

To request a sign language interpreter for this meeting, go to <http://www.ghi.coop/content/interpreter-request-form>, or go to the GHI Office (One Hamilton Place) or contact us by phone (301-474-4161) or fax (301-474-4006).



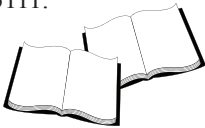
# Community Events

## At the Library

**Adult Programs**  
Saturday, October 12 at 2 p.m., King Peggy – the One Maryland One Book Discussion features “King Peggy: An American Secretary, Her Royal Destiny, and the Inspiring Story of How She Changed an African Village” by Peggielene Bartels and Eleanor Herman. This real life fairy tale of an American secretary who discovers she has been chosen king of an impoverished fishing village on the west coast of Africa chronicles a journey of transformation.  
Tuesday, October 15 at 7 p.m., “My Beloved World” – all those who have read the book are welcome to come to a discussion of U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor’s recounting of her life journey from a Bronx housing project to the federal bench.  
Tuesday, October 15 at 7 p.m., the African History Culture and Lecture Series continues with Margo Williams’ presentation on her book about her ancestor “Miles Lassiter: An African American Quaker.” Williams is a well-known lecturer for the Family History Centers of the LDS Church in the Washington area and a former editor of the Journal of the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society.

**Children’s Programs**  
Thursday, October 17 at 10:30 a.m., Bienvenue á France! – the library will offer a special Eurofest program in the Storytime room for children ages 2 to 5 years. Pick up a free ticket for each participant at the information desk that morning before the program. The regular Storytime program will continue on Thursday, October 24 at 10:30 a.m.

**Read to Rover**  
Saturday, October 19 at 2 p.m. Children build reading confidence by reading aloud to specially trained therapy dogs. Each child will read for 15 minutes. Registration is required. Call 301-345-5800 for details.  
For more information call 301-345-5800, visit the Greenbelt branch library or go to the library system website at pgcmls.info to review accounts, renew materials or for other library services. For automated phone renewal call 301-333-3111.



## Deadline for Jim Cassels Award

Tuesday, October 15 is the deadline for applications for the 2014 James Cassels Community Service Award. The \$1,200 award goes to a local nonprofit for a new activity or program that fits the Jim Cassels service spirit.  
More information is available at [www.greenbelt.coop](http://www.greenbelt.coop).

## GHI Notes

Thursday, October 10, 7 p.m., Board /Finance Committee Work Session (2014 Budget) – Board Room  
8 p.m., Member Input Session (2014 Budget) – Board Room  
Friday, October 11, Office Closed – For emergency maintenance call 301-474-6011.  
Monday, October 14, 7 p.m., Member Outreach Committee Meeting – Board Room  
7:30 p.m., Marketing Committee Meeting – GHI Lobby  
Tuesday, October 15, 7:30 p.m., Center-City City Council Candidates Forum – Municipal Building Council Room  
7:30 p.m., Companion Animal Committee Meeting – GHI Lobby  
7:30 p.m., Nominations and Elections Committee Meeting – GHI Library  
Wednesday, October 16, 7 p.m., Woodlands Committee Meeting – Board Room  
Thursday, October 17, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting (Open Session) – Board Room  
Note: Committee and board meetings are open; members are encouraged to attend.

## Greenbelt Computer Club Meets Tonight

The Greenbelt Computer Club will hold its October monthly meeting Thursday, October 10 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Room 103 at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. Everyone is welcome.



## Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition “Food and Friendship” program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208, ext. 4215.  
All meals include bread and margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for October 14 through 18 are as follows:  
Monday – Columbus Day Holiday – All sites closed.  
Tuesday – Cranberry juice, beef stroganoff, green peas, mixed green salad with Italian dressing, hot glazed peaches.  
Wednesday – Apple juice, zesty orange chicken, fried rice, cabbage, pineapple tidbits.  
Thursday – Orange juice, chicken noodle soup, sliced turkey and Swiss cheese, mixed green salad, fresh fruit.  
Friday – Cranberry juice, pollock fillet with bread crumbs, macaroni and cheese, braised kale, diced pears.

## Jim Link to Explore Love Poems Oct. 18

On Friday, October 18 Prince George’s Community College Seasoned Adults Growing Educationally SAGE instructor and Greenbelter Jim Link will explore a “fistful” of love poems at Explorations Unlimited.  
Link, who has taught SAGE classes in Greenbelt for many years, plans to present tender, cynical, vengeful, joyous and special little gems of poems by Carol Ann Duffy, Anne Bradstreet, John Donne, William Shakespeare and Dorothy Parker. This presentation will be held in Room 114 of the Greenbelt Community Center.  
Explorations Unlimited is held every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. All are welcome to attend and questions are encouraged.  
Call 301-397-2208 for details.

## Co-opoly Game Time Is at Café Oct. 19

On Saturday, October 19 at 2 p.m. there will be a special game time for teens and adults held at the New Deal Café in honor of Co-op Month. The Co-opoly game, sponsored by the Greenbelt Cooperative Alliance, is one in which everyone wins or everyone loses.  
Unlike Monopoly, where everyone is out for him or herself, players work together to run a business democratically. In order to survive as individuals and to work for the success of their co-op, players make tough choices regarding big and small challenges while putting their teamwork abilities to the test. It is a game of skill and solidarity, where the entire team wins – or everyone loses.  
Co-opoly is a party game with work cards players draw and then act out a charade or describe a specific word or phrase. The roll-of-the-dice and move-the-piece mechanics make the game easy for players at all skill levels to learn. Players discover the unique benefits, challenges and operations of the cooperative world – as well as the skills needed to participate in a co-op.

## Annual Pumpkin Walk, Zombie Dash Next Sat.

On Saturday, October 19 at 10 a.m. there will be two season-themed events at Northway Fields in a bow to 25 years of Pumpkin Walking. The tradition continues with both pumpkin carving and a Zombie Dash.  
Committee to Save the Green Belt started the Pumpkin Walk in 1988. This year’s event organizer is Allison Smith-Bolten.  
At 10 a.m. people of all ages are invited to bring a pumpkin or carve one supplied by the organizers. The pumpkins will be used for the Pumpkin Walk beginning at dark that evening and lasting until 9 p.m. Walkers should bring a flashlight. The walk is held rain or shine. Afterward there will be free hot cocoa and cider.  
At 11 a.m. all are invited to the Zombie Dash. The zombie participants should arrive dressed at 10:30 a.m., runners at 10:50 a.m. The Zombie Dash is free and family-friendly.  
For more information call Allison Bolten at 301-901-1669.

## MISHKAN TORAH Walk for the Homeless

October 20, 12:45 p.m.  
Registration  
Adults \$30, Child \$20  
See article on p. 4

## JOIN US FOR CHILI TASTING

Sunday, October 29, 2013, 10:30 a.m.  
Holy Cross Lutheran Church  
6905 Greenbelt Road,  
Greenbelt, MD  
Call **301-345-5111** for more information or visit website: [www.myholycross.org](http://www.myholycross.org)



## Greenbelt Arts Center COME SEE THE HIT MUSICAL



October 11 – 26 - Fri, Sat at 8pm  
Sun (Oct 13 & 20) at 2pm

Ticket prices: \$20 General Admission,  
\$17 Students/Seniors/Military,  
\$15 Child (12 and under with adult)

Note: Some subjects in the show may be unsuitable for children

For information & reservations,  
call **301-441-8770** or email: [info@greenbeltartscenter.org](mailto:info@greenbeltartscenter.org) or  
BOOK TICKETS ONLINE at [www.greenbeltartscenter.org](http://www.greenbeltartscenter.org)

Coming Soon  
GAC Annual Meeting - October 20, 6:00pm  
See How They Run - November 8 – 30  
The Chromatics Concert – December 7 – 8  
A (Comic) Christmas Carol – December 13 -22  
Greenbelt Arts Center  
123 Centerway • Greenbelt, MD 20770 • Located underneath the Greenbelt CO-OP

More Community Events  
are located  
throughout the paper.

## ACADEMY STADIUM THEATRE

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all day on Tuesdays; add \$2.00 for 3-D  
R = ID Required  
(!) = No pass, (!!) No pass weekend

## WEEK OF OCT 10

### FRIDAY, SATURDAY & TUESDAY

Machete Kills, R (!)  
11:25, 1:50, 4:25, 7:10, 9:50  
Captain Phillips, PG-13 (!)  
11:35, 2:45, 5:45, 6:50, 8:45, 9:45  
Pulling Strings, PG (!)  
11:20, 1:55, 4:30, 7, 9:40  
Gravity, in 2D, PG-13 (!)  
9:30  
Gravity, in 3D, PG-13 (!)  
11:50, 2:10, 4:35, 7:10  
Runner Runner, R (!)  
11:55, 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:35  
Baggage Claim, PG-13 (!)  
11:45, 2, 4:35, 7:20, 9:45  
Cloudy With the Chance of Meatballs 2, PG (!)  
11:40, 12:05, 2, 2:25, 4:20, 4:45, 6:55, 9:10

### SUNDAY, MONDAY & WEDNESDAY

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### THURSDAY

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Carrie, R (!)  
10  
Escape Plan, PG-13 (!)  
10



The 3rd Annual  
**Rafael's Race 5K race  
and 1K walk-run is  
on Saturday 19  
October, beginning  
at 8:30 a.m.**

To register (by paper or online), see the race web page:  
[http://greenbelt.com/gespta/rafaels\\_race.shtml](http://greenbelt.com/gespta/rafaels_race.shtml)



# Obituaries

## Flora Hawvermale

Former resident Flora “Babe” Ward Willard Hawvermale died at her beach home in Bethany Beach, Del., surrounded by her family on Saturday, October 5, 2013.



Mrs. Hawvermale was born in Catawba, W. Va., and grew up in Morgantown. She graduated from West Virginia University in 1948 with a degree in education.

She married Jack Willard and they moved to Greenbelt where they raised their daughters Diane and Jackie and spent many happy years. After his death in 1980 Mrs. Hawvermale married Bob Hawvermale and moved to Berkeley Springs, W. Va., where she lived until her death. She also spent many happy times with family and friends at her favorite spot – her home in Bethany Beach, Del.

Mrs. Hawvermale was a Prince George’s County junior and high school physical education teacher and basketball coach for more than 30 years.

She loved to travel, the beach and was always looking forward to her next adventure.

A celebration of Mrs. Hawvermale’s life to which all her friends are invited will be held on Friday, October 11 from 4 to 7 p.m. at 210 Grove Heights Road, Berkeley Springs.

Donations in Mrs. Hawvermale’s memory can be made to St. Mark’s Episcopal Church, 180 S. Washington St., Berkeley Springs, WV 25411 or Justin’s Beach House, PO Box 29L Atlantic Ave, Box 120, Ocean View, DE 19970 with checks payable to Justin’s Beach House or donations online at <http://justin-jennings.org>. The mission of Justin’s Beach House is to support and maintain a home in the Bethany Beach area as a place of joy and peace at the beach where families with cancer can have a place of respite and enjoy family fun time.



## Afternoon Bird Walk Set for Artemesia

Thursday, October 17 at 3 p.m. the Prince George’s Audubon Society will host a free guided bird walk at the Luther Goldman Birding Trail at Lake Artemesia. The birding trail loops around the 38-acre lake and along Indian Creek. Meet at the parking lot at Berwyn Road and Balew Avenue in Berwyn Heights. All levels from beginners to experts are welcome. Binoculars are suggested. Call 301-509-2212 for more information.



**Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS**  
Sundays 10 A.M.  
Municipal Building  
ALL ARE WELCOME.



**Congratulations to:**  
– Eleanor Roosevelt High School juniors Adedayo Adebajo, Oluwakonyinsola Adesoye, Tania Evans, Miles Harriston, Sydney Holman, Ahmed Kamil, Chiamaka Ogwuegbu, Chimdiya Onwukwe and Jasmine Salters, who have been named semi-finalists in the 2014 National Achievement Scholarship Program for 800 Achievement Scholarship awards totaling more than \$2.5 million due to their outstanding performance on the 2012 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. Of 160,000 juniors nationally qualifying, 1,300 will be selected in January to advance to the finalist level.  
– Councilmember Leta Mach and Sylvia Lewis, representing Greenbelt Homes, Inc., who appeared on a WOL radio show Thursday morning with Vernon Oakes, president of the National Association of Housing Cooperatives in honor of National Cooperative Month, talking about cooperatives’ best practices and programs.

Send us your reports of new babies, awards, honors, etc. to share with our readers. We’d especially like to hear more from neighbors in Greenbelt East and Greenbelt West (Franklin Park). To send information for “Our Neighbors,” email us at [news-review@verizon.net](mailto:news-review@verizon.net) or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

– Kathleen McFarland

## GCAN Holds Fall Priorities Meeting

On Tuesday, October 15 at 7 p.m. the Greenbelt Climate Action Network (GCAN) will hold its fall Maryland priorities meeting, with an update on each.

The Cove Point project of Dominion Resources is for a massive plan to export liquefied natural gas out of Cove Point, near Lusby south of Baltimore. That plan expands the controversial, under-moratorium fracking process throughout the region, with fears it could trigger earthquakes, sea-level rise, ozone pollution and possible fireball-type explosions along the Chesapeake Bay.

GCAN is working to see the moratorium, which expires in 2014, extended in the Maryland legislative session that begins January 8.

Passage of a measure in the 2014 General Assembly is being sought to assure adoption of a renewable portfolio standard to require that 40 percent of electricity be obtained from clean sources by 2025. A coalition of environmental, faith, health and business groups is working to get the ambitious but achievable goal made law in the 2014 legislative session.

The speaker will be Leslie Morrison, the director of the Healthy Communities Campaign at the Chesapeake Climate Action Network, where she’s been for four years focusing on dirty energy, cleaning up and fighting coal plants, waste incinerators and natural gas infrastructure.

For more information call Lore Rosenthal at 301-345-2234, email [lore@simplicity-matters.org](mailto:lore@simplicity-matters.org) or visit [www.chears.org/gcan/](http://www.chears.org/gcan/).

## Synagogue Holds Walk For Homeless Oct. 20

Sunday, October 20 the Social Action Committee of Mishkan Torah is sponsoring a Fannie Mae “Help the Homeless Walk” starting at 12:45 p.m. Walkers meet at Mishkan Torah, 10 Ridge Road, then will walk around Greenbelt Lake. All are invited to join this autumn day community effort to combat homelessness, which affects all so adversely.

There is a registration fee for those participating in the walk; see ad on page 3. Those who cannot walk are invited to sponsor a school child’s registration and walk.

As a prelude to the walk Laila Riazi of nonprofit Community Crisis Services, Inc. will speak at Mishkan Torah’s Friday night service October 11 at 8 p.m. to which the community is invited.

The synagogue hopes for wide participation, with registration and donations from the entire community.

## Holy Cross Church Chili Cook-off

On Sunday, October 27 Holy Cross Lutheran Church will host a chili-tasting event after the 9:30 a.m. regular worship service.

The entire community is welcome to join in the service as well as the chili tasting afterward at about 10:30 a.m. A free-will offering is asked, with all funds raised going to the church mission project supporting a Haitian seminary student.

Holy Cross Lutheran Church is at 6905 Greenbelt Road across from the American Legion. For details call 301-345-5111.



We, verily, have made music as a ladder for your souls, a means whereby they may be lifted up unto the realm on high; make it not, therefore, as wings to self and passion.  
(Baha’u’llah)

**Greenbelt Bahá’í Community**  
1-800-22-UNITE 301-345-2918  
[Greenbelt.Bahai.Info@gmail.com](mailto:Greenbelt.Bahai.Info@gmail.com) [www.bahai.us](http://www.bahai.us)



**Greenbelt BAPTIST CHURCH**  
101 Greenhill Road Greenbelt, MD 20770  
(301) 474-4212 [www.greenbeltbaptist.org](http://www.greenbeltbaptist.org)  
11:00am Worship Service

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

<b>Greenbelt Baptist Church Celebrates 60 years</b> <b>60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner</b> <b>Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup></b> <b>At 5:00pm</b>	<b>October 13<sup>th</sup></b> “The Pleasure of God’s People” <i>Philippians 1:1-11</i> <b>October 20<sup>th</sup></b> 60 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sunday: “The Church at Rest” <i>Revelation 21:1-8</i>
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**St. George’s Episcopal Church**  
*Join us around a table where all are welcome!*

Services

- Sundays  
8 a.m. simple, quiet service (no music)  
10 a.m. main service  
(music includes a mixture of acoustic guitar, piano and organ music)
- Wednesdays  
7 p.m. service with healing prayers (no music)

7010 Glenn Dale Road (Lanham-Severn Road & Glenn Dale Road)  
301-262-3285 | [rector@stgeo.org](mailto:rector@stgeo.org) | [www.stgeo.org](http://www.stgeo.org)







**Mishkan Torah Congregation**  
10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770  
Rabbi Jonathan Cohen Cantor Phil Greenfield

*Friday evening services 8:00 PM except first Friday of the month, when children’s service begins at 7:30 PM*

*Saturday morning services - 9:30 AM*  
*Children’s Education, Adult Education, Social Action, etc.*

*For further information call 301 474-4223 [www.mishkantorah.org](http://www.mishkantorah.org)*  
*Conservative and Reconstructionist*

**Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church**  
3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi  
Phone: 301-937-3666 [www.pbuuc.org](http://www.pbuuc.org)

 Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community 

Sunday, October 13 at 10 a.m.

Rev. Diane Teichert with Bettie Young, Worship Associate

Looking back, what can we see in the founding, at this time of year in 1954, of our congregation on the campus of the University of Maryland-College Park as an outgrowth of All Souls, Unitarian in DC and what would we hope to see by our 60th Anniversary? During Coffee Hour, the Board of Trustees will host a Deck Party to celebrate its refurbishment!

Newcomers are invited for informal conversation with the Minister in her office from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

**Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church**  
40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt  
Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors  
[www.greenbeltumc.org](http://www.greenbeltumc.org) 301-474-9410  
Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor



**Worship Service 10 a.m.**


**Greenbelt Community Church**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST




Hillside & Crescent Roads  
Phone: 301-474-6171 mornings  
[www.greenbeltucc.org](http://www.greenbeltucc.org)  
Sunday Worship  
10:15 a.m.  
Clara Young, Interim Pastor

*“A church of the open mind, the warm heart, the aspiring soul, and the social vision...”*

**BERWYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**




Rev. Mary Pullen - Pastor  
301-474-7573  
6301 Greenbelt Road  
Berwyn Heights, MD 20740



Worship : Sun 11:00 am - 12:00 pm (Child Care Available)  
Office Hours : Mon, Thu, Fri 9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Tue, Wed 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

*“A hospitable, multicultural community of faith”*

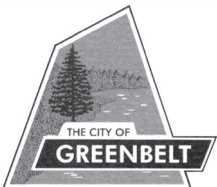
**ST. HUGH OF GRENOBLE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770  
301-474-4322



**Mass Schedule:**  
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.  
Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.  
Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.  
**Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.**

**Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe**





# City Information

## GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, October 14, 2013 - 8:00 p.m.  
Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road

### COMMUNICATIONS

#### Presentations

- Cooperative Month Proclamation

**Petitions and Requests** (Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)

#### Minutes of Council Meetings

#### Administrative Reports

#### Council Reports

#### Committee Reports

- Public Safety Advisory Committee, Report #2013-2 (Police Signage)
- Advisory Planning Board, Report #2013-05 (Detailed Site Plan for Franklin Park at Greenbelt Station Sign Plan)

### LEGISLATION

- A Resolution to Repeal Resolution Number 1086 and to Provide for the Number of Judges and Clerks of Election, Their Rate of Compensation, and the Rate of Compensation to be Paid to the Chairperson and Members of the Board of Elections for the 2013 Regular Election  
2nd Reading, Adoption

- A Resolution to Authorize the Negotiated Purchase of a Mobile Tag Reader with Installation from ELSAG North America in the Amount of \$18,150

1st Reading

- A Resolution to Negotiate the Purchase of Removal of an Underground Fuel Tank at the Police Station and Replacement of an Above Ground Fuel Tank at Public Works from Capitol Petroleum Equipment Inc. at a Cost of \$132,974

1st Reading

### OTHER BUSINESS

- Greenbriar Park Stream Restoration Plan
- 2013 Community Questionnaire
- Community Development Block Grant PY40 Application
- Review of County Bill 89-2012 and Applicability to Greenbelt
- Referral to Arts Advisory Board – Use of Tree Trunk as Public Arts Project
- Other Reports
- \* - Designation of Voting Delegate and Alternate for the National League of Cities Congress of Cities
- \*- Resignations from Advisory Groups

### MEETINGS

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail cmurray@greenbeltnmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.

## CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES FORUM

Tuesday, October 15th at 7:00 pm  
Greenbelt Municipal Building-25 Crescent Road  
Come out and find out where the candidates stand on the issues.

*Sponsored by Greenbelt Homes Inc.*  
*Forum will be shown live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at [www.greenbeltnmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltnmd.gov).*

## CITY COUNCIL ELECTION

November 5, 2013

### SAMPLE BALLOT

#### MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL (VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN SEVEN)

SUSAN H. STEWART	<input type="checkbox"/>
SILKE I. POPE	<input type="checkbox"/>
EMMETT V. JORDAN	<input type="checkbox"/>
KONRAD E. HERLING	<input type="checkbox"/>
EDWARD V. J. PUTENS	<input type="checkbox"/>
LETA M. MACH	<input type="checkbox"/>
WILLIAM A. ORLEANS	<input type="checkbox"/>
RODNEY M. ROBERTS	<input type="checkbox"/>
JUDITH F. DAVIS	<input type="checkbox"/>
WRITE IN (7 SPACES PROVIDED)	<input type="checkbox"/>

For more information, call the  
City Clerk at 301-474-8000.

#### CITY ELECTION INFORMATION ANY REGISTERED GREENBELT VOTER MAY CHOOSE TO VOTE BY EARLY VOTING or ABSENTEE VOTING NO MORE EXCUSES!

EARLY VOTING: Any qualified voter of the  
City of Greenbelt may choose to vote by  
EARLY VOTING.



#### EARLY VOTING DATES AND LOCATIONS

**Schrom Hills Park Clubhouse**  
6915 Hanover Parkway  
Saturday, October 19th, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm and  
Sunday, October 20th, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

**Springhill Lake Recreation Center**  
6101 Cherrywood Lane  
Saturday, October 26th, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm and  
Sunday, October 27th, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

**Greenbelt Municipal Building**  
25 Crescent Road  
Mondays – Fridays  
October 21st – November 1st, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Tuesdays until 8:00 pm

**ABSENTEE VOTING:** Any qualified voter of the City of Greenbelt may choose to vote by absentee ballot. Applications to receive absentee ballots are available in the City Clerk's Office and online at [www.greenbeltnmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltnmd.gov).

Applications to receive absentee ballots must be received by noon on Monday, November 4, 2013. The completed ballot must be received by the City Clerk no later than 6 p.m. the day of the regular election, November 5, 2013. No absentee ballots will be distributed prior to October 16.

Return your executed absentee ballot by 1) sending it through the U.S. mail in time to arrive by November 5, 2) hand-delivering it to the City Clerk's office, or 3) placing it in the locked drop-box at the east door of the Municipal Building at 25 Crescent Road.

Questions? Call the City Clerk at 301-474-8000, or  
send email to [cmurray@greenbeltnmd.gov](mailto:cmurray@greenbeltnmd.gov).

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[www.facebook.com/cityofgreenbelt](http://www.facebook.com/cityofgreenbelt)

## DONATION DROP-OFF

American Rescue Workers  
Saturday, October 12th,  
from 9 a.m.-12:00 P.M.  
Parking lot between City  
Office & Community Ctr.  
INFO: 301-474-8308

## VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on  
City Council Advisory  
Groups. There are  
currently vacancies on:  
Arts Advisory  
Board, Greenbelt  
Advisory Committee  
on Environmental  
Sustainability, and Youth  
Advisory Committee  
**For information call  
301-474-8000.**

Greenbelt Recreation  
Department

## BLOOD DRIVE

Friday, October 11  
from 12:30pm-6pm

Greenbelt  
Community Center  
15 Crescent Road

Call 240-542-2056 or  
1-800-RED-CROSS to  
schedule an appointment



**American  
Red Cross**

## OKTOBERFEST

Entertainment by:



Helmut Licht  
Friday, Oct. 11  
1 – 3 p.m.  
Greenbelt Community  
Center Gym  
15 Crescent Road  
Sponsored by  
Greenbelt Senior Center  
Light refreshments.

## SHREDDING DAY

Saturday, October 19th  
9 AM – 12 NOON  
(or until the truck is  
full)

The Greenbelt Federal  
Credit Union will be  
shredding your docu-  
ments in the parking  
lot behind the Credit  
Union at 112 Center-  
way

Only 5 file boxes/bags per  
person; must be present  
for shredding. Personal  
records only (no business).  
No contaminants accepted.  
Abandoned boxes/bags will  
be put in the regular trash.

Info: 240-542-2153

**CITY OF GREENBELT**  
**DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION**  
Business Office: 301.397.2200  
[www.greenbeltnmd.gov/recreation](http://www.greenbeltnmd.gov/recreation)

# FallFest

Saturday, October 19th  
2:00pm-6:00pm  
Schrom Hills Park  
6915 Hanover Parkway

## FANTASTIC FOOD:

**AFFORDABLE PRICES!**  
**Profits Benefit  
Community Groups**  
BURGERS & HOT DOGS,  
NACHOS, DRINKS, POPCORN,  
BAKED GOODS & MORE!

**FOR EVENT INFORMATION:**  
301.397.2200

**WEATHER INFORMATION  
HOTLINE:**  
301.474.0646

## FAMILY FUN & ENTERTAINMENT:

- Live music by The Knuckle Dusters
- Hayrides
- Moonbounces & Inflatables
- \$1 Pumpkin Patch
- KidCare ID's by Greenbelt Police Department
- Face Painting
- Pumpkin Decorating
- Temporary Tattoos
- Community Groups Information Tables

### Greenbelt Animal Shelter

550A Crescent Rd  
(rear of the Greenbelt Police Station),  
(240) 508-7533

The shelter is open on Wednesdays  
from 4-7pm and on Saturdays from  
9am-12pm or by  
appointment. See all our pets on Facebook!



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advocates more support for those programs.

Emmett Jordan, currently mayor pro tem, also is seeking a third term on council. He has resided in Greenbelt for 15 years and touts its great access to transportation. He thinks Greenbelt is a great place to live and work. He says he is very open to new ideas and has been accessible for residents to let him know what they are thinking. He also recognizes the rich diversity that makes up the Greenbelt neighborhoods. If re-elected, he says his program would include more openness and transparency regarding public safety topics, code enforcement, economic development and the city's ongoing organizational assessment.

Edward Putens is the longest-serving member of council, having served 16 terms. He considers himself one of the GEAC pioneers. He supports more efforts by council in economic development issues. He sees the role of council as one of setting policy, while the role of the city manager is overall management of the city's programs. He noted the dire straits with city budgets over the past four years with nearly \$2 million in budget cuts. He sees the number one issue as constituent service.

Leta Mach is completing 10 years on council. She and her family have lived in Greenbelt for 39 years. She is proud of her record on council and her work on behalf of Greenbelt on regional, state and national municipal organizations such as the National League of Cities, Metropolitan Council of Governments and the Maryland Municipal League (MML). Her efforts in those areas have resulted in grants for Greenbelt playgrounds and the Geocaching contest for MML cities. She is one of only two sitting councilmembers who have been honored as Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen (2000).

Bill Orleans is a candidate for council for the second time. He indicated that he preferred the older format for candidate nights and thought the modified format was "odd." He is seeking a seat on council to promote more democracy and equity in Greenbelt.

Rodney Roberts grew up in Greenbelt and has been a Greenbelt activist for the past 25 years. He touts his skills

with working with people. He believes there is no place like Greenbelt with its commitment to planning, parks, community centers and the forest preserve.

Judith Davis is completing her 20th year on council and has served seven consecutive terms as mayor of Greenbelt. She is concerned about the growing divisiveness at the national, state, county and city levels. Her sense is that there is too much to lose if you don't look calmly at the issues faced by Greenbelt. Current issues are the city's responsibilities, lowered tax assessments and overall city needs. During the campaign she is interested in hearing voters' concerns and suggestions.

### Closing Remarks

At the end of the candidates' night there was an opportunity for candidates to make brief closing remarks from the podium. On the modified format for the evening, Pope and Herling indicated they like the new format, while Mach and Davis found it to be an "interesting" format. Other candidates did not comment on the format itself but some noted that the one-on-one table sessions were useful and candid.

Several candidates repeated issues such as economic development and the theater renovation from their earlier presentations. Orleans repeated his concern that substantive change (on council) is necessary, noting that the presiding officer speaking condescendingly to residents should not be allowed.

Roberts used his time to extol the quality of life in Greenbelt, saying he was privileged to grow up here. He is proud that youngsters now living in Greenbelt are able to enjoy the same things he enjoyed. He also noted that in his years on council he has never missed a meeting.

Davis and Jordan specifically noted their preference for the Federal Bureau of Investigation to be located at the North Core development site at the Greenbelt Metro Station. Most of the candidates ended their remarks by encouraging attendees to "get out to vote," "get your neighbors to vote" or vote early.

### GAVA/GATE Youth Film at Utopia Fest

On Sunday, October 20 at noon the youth-made GAVA/GATE short films for last year's Greenbelt 75th Anniversary Animation project will be shown at the Municipal Building as part of the Utopia Film Festival, along with other animation works made by students over the last 15 years. The showing is free and suitable for all ages.

The students in the GAVA/GATE program, held at the GATE studios at the Community Center and produced by community arts nonprofits Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts (GAVA) and Greenbelt Access Television (GATE), include youngsters from 10 to 18 years old.

The 75th anniversary special was funded by the Co-op's Jim Cassels Award, the Greenbelt Community Foundation and Prince George's County via a grant through Councilmember Ingrid Turner.

For more information visit <http://www.utopiafilmfestival.org/kid-short-films.html>.

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through Rotary."

The club is also eager to add local members because it is the primary sponsor for Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen Award, which has been presented annually to a city resident for the last 40 years. As reported in the News Review September 5, this year's award was presented to photographer Eric Zhang, who moved to Greenbelt three years ago.

Zhang took over 9,000 pictures of daily life in Greenbelt and posted the images to his blog. According to chairman of the award committee Bob Zugby, the award is typically given to a longtime resident of the town but the committee was impressed by Zhang's work.

The Rotary Club has helped sponsor the award for almost 20 years, according to Tillery and it would love to add some of Greenbelt's residents to its ranks.

The club is responsible for many charity and fundraising projects in the community from helping the Greenbelt Fire Department purchase equipment to its monthly "Feed the Homeless" event in Hyattsville. According to Pope, the club also runs an annual Super Bowl pool, where 50 percent of the proceeds are donated to local charities.

Part of the club's philosophy is also collaborating with other chapters to work on larger projects. Peter Kyle, district governor of Washington-area Rotary clubs, visited the Greenbelt chapter September 24 to encourage members to work together with other clubs.

Greenbelt Rotary partnered with several other Rotary clubs to hold an international curling tournament at Laurel House. The event brought in over \$700 for charity, according to Pope.

The Greenbelt Rotary also offers support to local schools, including Greenbelt Elementary School. According to Tillery, they maintain a supply closet at the school to provide teachers and students with additional tools.

The club also helped to build a butterfly garden at Greenbelt Elementary as a science project for the students. Tillery said Rotary members planted bushes and maintain the garden. Children then put in specific plants that attract butterflies.

Greenbelt Rotary also partners with DuVal High School and Tillery expressed interest in adopting other local schools in the future.

Helen Svensen has been a Rotarian for 15 years and still finds it as rewarding as when she joined. "I love my Rotary work because it always involves doing something good for the community," said Svensen.

She also enjoys meeting members of different chapters. Rotarians are expected to attend a meeting each week at any chapter they choose. With 29,000 chapters in 160 countries members can find a meeting almost anywhere.

Svensen has gone to Rotary meetings in Ireland, Croatia and Thailand. She says the club has a way of uniting people, despite cultural barriers.

"We're all speaking the same language because we all believe in Rotary," said Svensen, "and it brings us together."

Greenbelt's Rotary club meetings are open to anyone interested in joining. They take place every Tuesday at 7:30 a.m., at the Marriott Hotel in Greenbelt.

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outspoken and effective community activist. During his 22 years on council, Roberts has never missed a council meeting.

Roberts often volunteers his professional skills to groups such as Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service (GIVES) as well as to individuals in need. When the New Deal Café was in danger of closing, Roberts donated over 100 hours of his time working with a small group of volunteers to install a commercial kitchen. The Café was able to install a state-of-the-art commercial kitchen for less than \$30,000, a savings of more than \$70,000, giving the Café a new lease on life. It is now a thriving part of Roosevelt Center.

In 1991 Roberts proposed and worked through to implementation, a community policing program that included the city's first police bicycle patrols. Since then, he has continued to advocate for more bicycle and foot patrols throughout the city and to use police substations in Greenbelt East and Beltway Plaza.

Roberts was a leader in the citizen movement that resulted in the city's acquisition of 184 acres of woodland that had been part of the original "Green Belt."

Roberts' continued advocacy resulted in the 2003 passage of a city ordinance establishing a Greenbelt Forest Preserve consisting initially of 225 acres.

Roberts testifies on behalf of the city before state and county officials concerning development, transportation, recreation, environmental and fiscal issues. In 2004 he testified before the State Board of Public Works (consisting of the comptroller, governor and treasurer). Overcoming initial opposition from Comptroller William D. Schaefer and Governor Robert L. Ehrlich, he secured \$648,000 in Open Space Funds for the purchase of 10 acres known as the "Sunrise Property" in Greenbelt East, one of Greenbelt's newest forest preserves. Roberts has consistently opposed yearly city tax increases for non-essential hiring and other items.

Roberts is one of the longest serving members of the Council of Government's Transportation Planning Board, with nearly 22 years of service. He is also council liaison to the Youth Advisory Board and Forest Preserve Advisory Board. Roberts is a member and former chair of the Committee to Save the Green Belt and a founding member of the Greenbelt Foundation for the Arts.

Absentee  
ballots  
are available  
beginning  
Oct. 16

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**Star Party Planned  
At City Observatory**

Weather permitting, on Saturday, October 12 the Astronomical Society of Greenbelt (ASG) will sponsor a star party at the City of Greenbelt Observatory at Northway Field in celebration of International Observe the Moon night. The observatory is temporarily closed for routine maintenance and cleaning; however, several members will have set up their personal telescopes and binoculars for the enjoyment of all.

Observing will begin as soon as it is dark, probably around 7:15 p.m., although telescopes may be set up earlier.

The star party will be canceled without notice if it is too cloudy. Attendees are asked to park in the ballfield lot, not up on the hill, unless bringing a telescope. All are welcome. There is no admission charge.



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*Priority #2:* Renovate the Greenbelt Movie Theater. It is a critical part of our city’s renowned history and of the Roosevelt Center’s economic and cultural activity. We have to move quickly on this issue but we must move intelligently and in concert with community-based organizations such as the Friends of the Greenbelt Theater and Greenbelt Community Development Corporation, as well as the theater’s management staff. It is my contention that certain expenses, such as installing a new HVAC system are not necessary to the theater’s operation, as the current system is working well. I continue to advocate working with the League of Historic American Theaters from whom we can learn how other cities, including those in our region, saved on costs and were better able to focus on items which required greater attention.

*Priority #3:* Continue our efforts to secure the FBI at Greenbelt Metro’s North Core. I am heading a task force, in concert with our Four Cities Coalition (Greenbelt, Berwyn Heights, College Park, and New Carrollton) to produce a video promoting our Metro site as the ideal location for the FBI to relocate.

Aside from the obvious boost to our local economy, there is the potential that some of its employees would seriously consider putting down roots here in Greenbelt, even considering the closest residential site, Franklin Park. This could stabilize that market and neighborhood. Perhaps it could prompt management to consider moving a percentage of their market from rental to for-sale units for career employees.

Currently, we’re in a competition with Fairfax County – we must continue to give it our best shot.

Susan Stewart

*Support our Historic Community Gardens.* Ensure our Community Gardens have the same level of respect as our Forest Preserve. They are important historical properties in this community and a source of recreation and joy for many of its residents. Yet, they have been neglected by the city for many years. Instead they should be a leading example of community gardens in the area. The city must recognize it has an obligation to proper upkeep. This must be done in harmony with efforts of committed stewardship of the forest and wildlife and preservation of the nearby historical cemetery site.

*Moving towards Zero Waste.* Start the development of a Zero Waste initiative program. Landfills are filling up and getting more expensive, while raw materials from recycling are becoming more in demand. I want to support a robust recycling program in our town, explore creating a secure screened mulch facility and have the city assist setting up a cooperative-run composting facility. We also need a pet waste program that provides pet owners with biodegradable bags along walking paths, thereby reducing our need for plastic bags. To keep costs down, we can solicit sponsorship from pet stores or local veterinarian offices.

*One Greenbelt with one Greenway.* Uniting Greenbelt to-

gether with a “Greenway.” This project would be a walking/biking path that goes through the different areas around town and connects them together in one safe, fun pathway. We can plan desirable attractions along these paths such as art gardens, additional play areas, walking labyrinths, and so forth. Finally, it should have safe, clear access to the Indian Creek trailhead, our connection to the Anacostia Tributary trails. If possible, we could re-explore a bike share program, and incentives for a bike sale/rental shop to move in closer to the Indian Creek trailhead.

Silke Pope

If I am re-elected to Greenbelt City Council, my top three priorities would be:

*Budget.* With the property assessments at an all-time low, it is more important than ever before to evaluate how each and every dollar is spent. We all want to protect our current level of services – services that are needed and valued by so many of our citizens – but other needs such as revitalization of our aging infrastructure have recently become an urgent and necessary priority. Projects such as the historic Greenbelt Theatre renovation (including replacing the heating and air-conditioning system) must be started as soon as possible. The Buddy Attick Lake dredging and dam repair also must begin immediately because the State of Maryland has given us a deadline – we either begin repairs or we will lose the lake. As a member of City Council, I have the burden of making necessary decisions and choices, many of which are extremely difficult and often unpopular. But, I chose to take on this responsibility when I decided to run for City Council.

*Transportation.* Many other U.S. cities are far ahead of Greenbelt in their design of safer roadways for cyclists and pedestrians. The absence of Sunday bus service and deficiency of planned, safe, useable bike lanes in our community is a serious concern. Greenbelt promotes itself as a “walkable” and “bikeable” community yet we need safer ways to walk and bike in our community. I want to find ways to improve bus service – addressing both bus shelters and adjacent crosswalks. Greenbelt has just completed a decade-long project which resulted in a Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan. We must find ways to begin instituting this plan in the very near future.

*Economic Development.* Economic development is a must-have discussion in our current economic environment. As a small community, we are well aware of our need for usable revenues. Creating new sources and avenues of revenue can be a challenging task and it requires a strong and lasting commitment from both the community and its leaders. I am also committed to developing and incorporating cost-effective sustainability improvements within the City. Economic development does not have an easy or fast solution. Many of our surrounding municipal neighbors are already taking the lead by employing economic development advisors and we must follow. Economic

development is truly a long-term pursuit and we have to be very diligent and careful in the decisions that will be required.

As to whether I will achieve my goals, this will depend on the agreement and willingness of the rest of council to begin implementation of the needed projects. The Council works as a team of seven. I am optimistic, given the progress we have made to date, that these projects and plans will stay on schedule.

It is always difficult to evaluate one’s own performance. Since I am fully aware that there is always room for improvement, if re-elected, I will continue to work to exceed the expectations of my constituency.

Upcoming Events At New Deal Café

Thursday, October 10 from noon to 2 p.m., pianist Amy C. Kraft plays midday melodies. There will be an open microphone session with James and Martha in the evening from 7 to 9 p.m.

On Friday, October 11 John Guernsey plays classical and jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m., then the Stealing Liberty plays jazzy versions from the Grateful Dead from 8 to 11 p.m.

Saturday, October 12 Bruce Krittr plays classical guitar from 4 to 6 p.m., followed by Guernsey with up-tempo jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The Jessica Star Band headlines from 8 to 11 p.m.

On Sunday, October 13 the weekly deaf brunch discussion is held from 10:30 a.m. to noon. From 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. accomplished 14-year-old jazz guitarist Jan Knutson plays. A listening party for resident pianist Guernsey’s new double CD will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. From 5 to 8 p.m. the Willis Gidney Quintet plays bossa nova, samba and jazz.

Next Week

Tuesday, October 15 the monthly open microphone Poetry Night will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. On Wednesday, October 16 bring a team or form one on the spot to compete and test knowledge of various topics at the Pub Quiz from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, October 17 pianist Kraft plays midday melodies from noon to 2 p.m. From 7 to 9 p.m. there will be an open microphone session with Joe Harris. Friday, October 18 Guernsey plays classical and jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m., then Beatles tribute band The Goodfellas perform from 8 to 11 p.m.

Saturday, October 19 the Greenbelt Co-op Alliance hosts a game of Co-opoly where everyone either wins together or loses together from 2 to 5 p.m. Guernsey plays up-tempo jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m., followed by headliners Stream and the Blue Dragons from 8 to 11 p.m. On Sunday, October 20 the weekly deaf brunch discussion is held from 10:30 a.m. to noon. The back room of the Café will be closed for a private brunch from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The monthly kids’ open microphone session for the whole family will be held from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. The Fez Tones Hafla offer live Middle Eastern music and dance with musicians on oud, darbuka and riq from 5 to 8 p.m.

Election 2013

Early Voting and Absentee Voting Will Start Next Week

by Kathleen Gallagher

So many ways to vote – at the polling place on Election Day, at home, on paper, on a voting machine, early, in the middle of the night or just in time to take a hayride. For real – a hayride!

Nine candidates are running to serve two-year terms on the seven-member Greenbelt City Council. Not only will the ballot determine which seven are elected but it likely will determine which two will serve as mayor and mayor pro tem on Greenbelt’s 40th council. It is up to the newly elected councilmembers to choose the mayor and the mayor pro tem but historically council has followed the popular vote by electing the highest vote-getter mayor and the second highest mayor pro tem.

Most Greenbelt voters will visit with neighbors and cast their ballots in the time-honored tradition at their precincts on Election Day, which is Tuesday, November 5. Those who prefer to vote earlier or in the comfort of their own homes have two other alternatives. Absentee voting by machine-readable paper ballot opens next Wednesday, October 16. Early voting using a voting machine at various neighborhood polling places will begin Saturday, October 19.

Any qualified city voter who wishes to vote early or vote by mail may do so. It is no longer necessary for the voter to provide an “excuse” for not being able to go to the polls on Election Day.

Absentee Voting

The first step in voting absentee is to apply for a ballot. The voter can print the application form from the city’s web site at greenbeltmd.gov, pick one up at the city clerk’s office in the Municipal Building at 25 Crescent Road, or call 301-474-8000 to have one mailed. In lieu of the form, a letter requesting an absentee ballot may be sent to the city clerk that includes the voter’s full name, Greenbelt residence address, phone number and original

signature.

Once received and filled out by the voter, the ballot can be returned by mail or in person. Applications for absentee ballots must be received no later than noon on Monday, November 4. In order to be counted, absentee ballots must be received by the city clerk no later than 6 p.m. on Election Day, November 5. Once an absentee ballot has been issued, the voter may vote in that election only by using the absentee ballot.

Early Voting

Early voting will be held on different days in Greenbelt West, Greenbelt East and center city but qualified voters may choose to vote at any of these locations.

Greenbelt East: Voting will be held at the club house at Schrom Hills Park, 6915 Hanover Parkway, on Saturday, October 19, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Sunday, October 20, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Greenbelt West: Voting will be held at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane on Saturday, October 26, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Sunday, October 27, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Center city: Voting will be held at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road, from Monday, October 21 through Friday, November 1 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., with extended hours on Tuesdays until 8 p.m.

For additional information on absentee or early voting call the city clerk’s office at 301-474-8000 or visit the city website at greenbeltmd.gov, then click on “City Council Election Information” in the “News” section.

And, oh yes – about that hayride. Early voting at Schrom Hills Park on Saturday, October 19 is immediately followed by the city’s annual Fall Fest celebration at the same location. Go to Schrom Hills to vote and stay for hayrides, games, pumpkin patch, live music, art activities, refreshments and more!



### John Guernsey CD listening Party

New Deal Café piano man John Guernsey has released a double CD of his own compositions. Join us as we enjoy this beautiful new recording!

**Sunday October 13. 2 to 4 pm**

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# Learning and Enjoyment Are Focus of Fall Harvest Festival

by Kelsey Sutton

Over 100 people passionate about the arts, music, good food and sustainability gathered at the annual Fall Harvest Festival at Roosevelt Center on September 22.

The Fall Harvest Festival partnered with the Chesapeake Education, Arts & Research Society (CHEARS) so the group could raise awareness about environmental issues and sustainability. Robert Cahalan, who has lived in Greenbelt for over 20 years, founded CHEARS with his wife Maggie in 2006 as a way to combine their love for sustainability with volunteering and community building. He said he hopes the event will get Greenbelters thinking about alternative energy sources.

“Humans emit millions of tons of carbon dioxide, CO2, annually,” said Cahalan, who is director of the Sun Climate Research Center at Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt. A whopping 50 percent of CO2 emissions stays in the atmosphere for centuries and those emissions are the biggest contributors to global climate change, he said.

But the greenhouse gas effect does not have to be all bad news. That’s when Cahalan gestured to a black contraption to his right.

The trapezoid-edged box, called a Sun Spot solar oven, had two layers and a glass top. Condensation collects on the inside of the glass, fogging the interior. Upon a careful and closer look, one could see two metal pots inside.

Cahalan said solar energy collected inside the box but the glass prevented the heat from escaping. The solar oven works in the same way as greenhouse gases – when solar energy gets trapped inside the earth’s atmosphere, he said.

After about two hours, Cahalan pulled out the pots – one full of diced pears, the other brimming with potatoes. Fall Harvest festivalgoers were welcome to try the sustainably cooked snacks.

Maggie Cahalan, co-founder of CHEARS, organizes the Three Sisters Garden Project. She works for the Council for Opportunity and Education during the week and is a member of Greenbelt ACES and said she and other volunteers work in the demonstration gardens to promote organic land care. The organization’s magic number is three, partly because there are three gardens in the east, west and center of Greenbelt, called the Three Sisters Gardens so the gardens traditionally plant three different plant species that work in a cooperative association, “like the Native Americans did,” she said. Corn, beans and squash provide different benefits to a garden when they are grown together. For instance, beans can climb on corn without harming it.

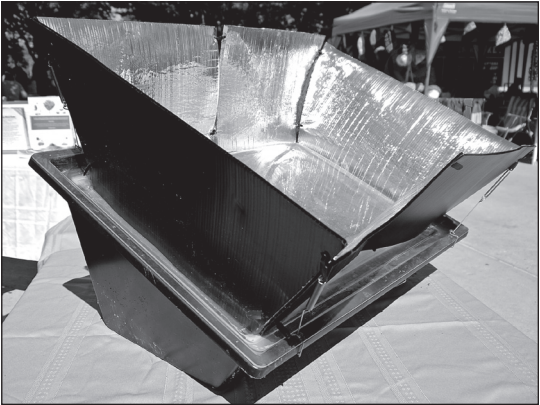
“Inclusive diversity is key in Greenbelt,” Cahalan said, emphasizing that she meant both the garden and the city.

About halfway through the day, Cahalan hosted a painting project where interested festivalgoers could paint signs for the Three Sisters Gardens. At the



Robert McMullin, left, and his brother Mike, right, perform in front of ‘Mother and Child’ at the Fall Harvest Festival.

**The Solar Spot Oven cooks potatoes and pears using solar energy at the Fall Harvest Festival. Robert Cahalan, co-founder of CHEARS, brought and operated the oven.**



end of the day the group had procured several brightly colored bricks with “bean” and “pumpkin” carefully painted on them.

Throughout the day, musicians performed on and in front of a makeshift stage constructed in front of the Mother and Child statue. A guitar case and several brightly painted hand drums crowded the narrow sidewalk near the New Deal Café. Greenbelters led dogs around Roosevelt Center and children rode around on scooters with neon helmets strapped under their chins.

The Greenbelt Drum Circle played in the morning much to the delight of some children, who danced gleefully. Robert McMullin, who organized the music and craft vendors for the event, played guitar and sang with his brother, Mike, at lunchtime.

“My interest is the music,” McMullin said. “I believe that communities are better, that people are better, when they can experience live music.”

McMullin got into event planning several years ago because he didn’t know why Roosevelt Center was empty year-round. It’s easy to get people to come and volunteer, “like stone soup,” he said.

McMullin explained he was referring to a legend about soldiers who came to an encampment without any food. Nearby villagers would not spare their food because they did not have enough. So to begin making soup with no ingredients, one soldier dropped a stone in the middle of a pot of water on top of the fire. Soon, villagers came out of their houses to see what the soldiers were making. One tasted it and decided it needed some salt. Another thought some carrots would make it better. Still another brought onions to make it taste just right. And in the end, everyone had a

delicious soup because everyone contributed.

“It’s a great story about community sharing,” said McMullin.

McMullin said he makes real stone soup at the Fall Harvest Festival every year. Not only does it help use up ingredients from Greenbelters’ gardens but it gives everyone a chance to contribute to the community.

## Co-op Seeking New Board Candidates

The Greenbelt Consumer Co-operative has openings for two positions on its board of directors. Candidates will be presented and voting will take place at the cooperative annual meeting on Saturday, November 2 at the Community Center. One incumbent, Bill Stoddard, is running for another term.

Board members are responsible for the operation of the supermarket and meet once a month.

Any voting member of the Co-op may be nominated for a position on the board. Those interested need to fill out a nominating form, available from the cooperative’s office and must obtain signatures of at least five voting members in support of their candidacy.

Completed forms must be returned to the store office by Monday, October 21.

For more information call Donna Hoffmeister at 301-441-9377 or the store office at 301-474-0522.

## Synagogue Project Cleans Local Creek

On Sunday, October 13 from 9 a.m. to noon the Mishkan Torah Synagogue Social Action Committee will hold a Beaverdam Creek clean-up at Long Branch, also known as the Goddard Branch.

The clean-up is being billed as a “reverse tashlich.” Traditionally performed on Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year the tashlich refers to the Jewish custom of throwing crumbs into a body of water to symbolically rid oneself of bad habits. In this modern twist, the reverse tashlich is to undo effects of bad habits by helping clean up a local stream. All are invited to participate in the clean-up, organized in conjunction with the Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group.

The meeting place will be between the end of Northway and the City of Greenbelt mulch piles. Participants should be there at 9 a.m. with boots or sturdy shoes, work gloves, a water bottle and long pants which can get wet. They should be prepared to navigate one step portion of the slope.

More information about Beaverdam Creek and the Watershed Watch Group is available at [www.beaverdamcreek.org](http://www.beaverdamcreek.org). Questions can be directed to [socialaction@mishkantorah.org](mailto:socialaction@mishkantorah.org).

## Acorns A Go-Go Vegan Fest to Be Held Oct. 12

This Saturday, October 12 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Roosevelt Center will be the site for the new fall festival first-ever Acorns A Go-Go Vegan Fest. It will kick off unofficially at 9:30 a.m. with a go-go beat drum vegan drum circle – people are invited to bring a bucket or synthetic drum during set-up to join in.

The event is free, family-friendly and will go on rain or shine, with bands moving inside the New Deal Café in case of inclement weather. The goal is to have a fun time while introducing as many people as possible to the vegan philosophy and lifestyle based on the belief that animals are not for people to wear, eat, experiment on or use for entertainment. The festival will be hosted by New York City “The Vegan Drag Queen” Honey LaBronx, a bona fide activist and celebrity with her own You Tube vegan cooking show, a radio podcast “Big Fat Vegan,” who uses performance to spread the vegan message.

The event, named using the abundance of acorns in the fall, in addition to the drum circle, will have kids’ activities from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., a variety of speakers and an array of musical offerings during the afternoon, along with a hula hoop contest around 4 p.m. Other attractions will include henna hand-painting, dancing, various vendors with food and samples. More information is available at <https://www.facebook.com/Acornsagogo> and on Twitter at AcornsAGoGo2 and in the classified ad for the event on page 14.

## Greek Dance Open House Is on Sun.

Sunday, October 13 at 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Syrtos, the Greek Dance group of Greenbelt, will resume Greek dance sessions in an open house session in the dance studio of the Greenbelt Community Center.

In addition to the first hour’s demonstration and instruction for beginners in the most basic Greek dances at local festivals, the second hour will teach new dances to the entire group and open dancing by specific request. People of all ages and levels of expertise are invited to join the group; no partner is required in this dance genre.

Greek dancing is therapeutic exercise that is fun – remember Zorba? – Greeks dance when they are happy or sad. It also offers stress relief and lively social interaction – members, many dancing with the group for years – are warm and welcoming to new members. Group outings include trips to local festivals, with a chance to dance to live music, enjoy Greek food and mingle with the Greek community.

Some members will have attended and will be able to share their experience at a festival this weekend at the Ukrainian Orthodox Church on New Hampshire Avenue; a church that also currently houses St. Constantine and Helen’s Greek Orthodox, itself is in the process of building in Olney.

Those interested in Greek dance classes can sign up for them. There is a fee. For more information call instructor Chris Tennant at 240-582-7488 or email [GlobalConcerns@aol.com](mailto:GlobalConcerns@aol.com).

## City Notes

Animal Control staff responded to calls regarding two dogs running at large and two snakes found in a citizen’s home. In addition one bird was transported to wildlife rehab.

Planning staff met with the Old Greenbelt Theatre operator and a representative from Cardinal Sound to discuss projection upgrades.

Horticulture crews hauled woodchips to the playground at 4 Court Laurel Hill Road and delivered woodchips to the Three Sisters’ Garden at the Community Center.

Refuse crews collected 26.93 tons of refuse and 13.25 tons of recycling material, cleaned up medical waste trash dumped at the recycling center in Greenbelt East and coordinated with a Boy Scout to assist him in performing a project at Greenbriar Park, providing guidance and supplies for round two of his Scout project.

Arts staff reports four interns from the Arts Education program at the University of Maryland are now in place supporting afterschool programs at Springhill Lake and Greenbelt Elementary schools.





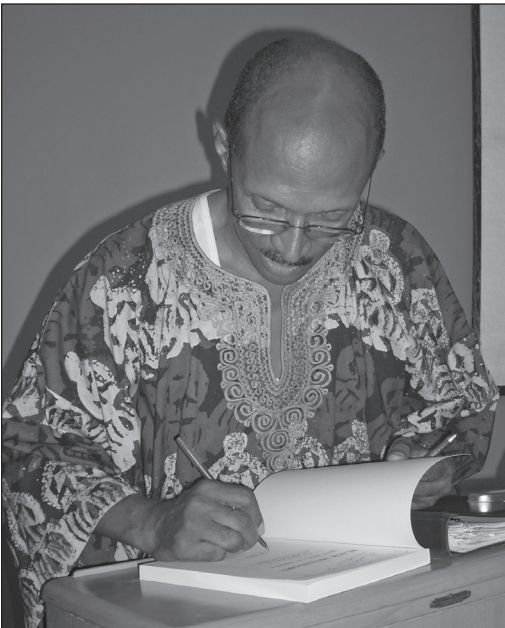
# C.R. Gibbs Presents Lecture On Mysteries, Marvels of Africa

by Charis Pannell

“We can’t box in Africa,” said historian and author C.R. Gibbs on October 1 during a lecture on the lost kingdoms and ancient mysteries of the continent. At the lecture, one of several in a series scheduled at the Greenbelt Library, Gibbs explained why Africa was and is more than a place of misery. From architecture to science, Gibbs detailed some of the marvels and accomplishments of the continent from ages ago as well as of mysteries remaining today.

He discussed the famous pyramids of Giza as well as pyramids in Nubia, now Sudan, and questions that still surround their construction. He commented on the “sophistication of underground tombs” found in Africa and detailed the remnants of tobacco in some of those tombs and what these remnants may mean – whether they suggest trade or crops not thought to be in Africa at the time.

Gibbs spoke of evidence that revealed an ancient Egyptian zoo



C.R. Gibbs signs a book for an audience member after his lecture October 1.

busts of Nefertiti. One bust, less known, shows her with fuller features than the more famous bust he described as having “European features.”

### Ancient Kenya

Gedi, Kenya is an ancient port city no longer near water, showing evidence of the reshaped landscape of Africa, Gibbs said. He noted ancient crocodiles as well that swam in waters where the Sahara desert is now and of Africa’s version of the Loch Ness Monster.

Dominique Scott, an audience member from Lanham, said she is “really glad they are having these presentations” and found the lecture “enlightening.” In regard to Gibbs she said, “As a spokesperson he was quite clear.”

What is also clear, according to Gibbs, is that there is “more and more to learn about Africa.”

The lecture series on African history and culture continues into November.



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# Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, <http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/index.htm>, link in left frame to "Weekly Report" or [http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/weekly\\_report.pdf](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/weekly_report.pdf).  
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

### Robbery

September 27, 10:35 p.m., Behind the Springhill Lake Recreation Center on Cherrywood Lane. A pedestrian realized three men were following him. They confronted him and one man produced a handgun and demanded his shoes, jeans and cell phone. After obtaining these items they fled on foot.

### Miscellaneous Arrests

September 27, 8:27 a.m., 9100 block Edmonston Road. A 35-year-old Greenbelt woman was arrested and charged with leaving a child unattended after a two-year-old was found walking alone in a parking lot. She was released on citation pending trial.

September 27, 2:45 p.m., Academy Stadium Theatre. A 28-year-old nonresident man was arrested and charged with unauthorized recording in a movie theater. He was taken to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

### Theft

September 26, 3:30 p.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace. Two men approached another man as he was walking down the sidewalk. One of them took his cellphone and both fled in a green 4-door car. One man is described as black, 18 to 20 years old, 5'10" to 6'1" tall weighing 150 to 170 pounds, with medium-length dreadlocks, wearing a white T-shirt and blue jeans. The other man is described as black, approximately 18 years old, 5'5" to 5'8" tall weighing 150 to 160 pounds, wearing a green and white striped T-shirt and blue jeans.

September 28, 4:30 p.m., Martin's Crosswinds. A cell phone was taken from a purse.

September 29, 9:15 a.m., Safeway. Credit cards were taken from an unattended purse.

September 30, 3:20 p.m., 7601 Hanover Parkway. A cell phone was taken.

October 1, Greenbelt Exxon. A woman noticed a silver car with temporary tags pull up behind her car as she was pumping gas. She then saw a man lean inside her car. She yelled at him and he got back into the silver car and left the area. She then noticed her purse was missing.

### Burglary

September 26, 9:28 p.m., 6900 block Hanover Parkway. A laptop computer, running shoes, coffee maker and other items were taken.

September 28 , 6 p.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive. An attempted burglary occurred when a door knob assembly was damaged but entry was not obtained.

September 30, 9300 block Edmonston Road. Jewelry was taken.

October 1, 7:02 p.m., 6100

## Police Receive \$9K Ballistic Vest Grant

The Greenbelt Police Department was awarded of \$9,350 from the U.S. Department of Justice to replace ballistic vests as part of a grant designed to provide a critical resource to state and local law enforcement.

block Breezewood Court. A television, jewelry and checks were taken. Entry appears to have been made by forcing open the kitchen window.

October 2, 9:49 p.m., 6800 block Springshire Way. Jewelry, a mountain bike, video game player and an iPad were taken. Entry was gained by forcing open the basement door.

### Drug Arrest

September 27, 6:42 p.m., Cherrywood Terrace/Breezewood Ct. A 19 year-old Greenbelt man was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana. The man, who was standing in the intersection, fled from police and was apprehended after a short foot chase. He was released on citation pending trial.

### Vandalism

October 2, 1:51 p.m., 5506 Cherrywood Lane. A woman entered the Sprint Store and became involved in a verbal dispute. She threatened employees and vandalized several phone display holders and the front door before fleeing.

September 26, 1:43 a.m., 7400 block Greenway Center Drive. An exterior window was broken.

### Vehicle Crime

A license tag was stolen in the 9100 block Springhill Lane.

A Chrysler Sebring stolen from the 6100 block Breezewood Drive was recovered the same day by Prince George's County police near Laurel/Bowie Road and Muirkirk Road in Laurel. No arrests were made.

An Oldsmobile Alero stolen August 5 from the 6100 block of Springhill Terrace was recovered September 26 by D.C. Metropolitan police in the 1300 block of Quincy Street N.W., Washington, D.C. The tags on the vehicle at the time of theft, D.C. registration EH0185, were not recovered and remain stolen.

A Ford Crown Victoria reported stolen to Prince George's County police was recovered in the 6000 block Springhill Drive. No arrests were made.

Tools, stereo equipment and a cell phone were taken from a car in the 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace.

Vandalism occurred in the Greenbelt Youth Center parking lot (rear passenger side window was broken) and in the 6000 block Springhill Drive (tire was slashed).

# Police Find New Techniques For Fingerprints Arresting

by Kathleen Gallagher

Crime doesn't pay – except for when it does. The Greenbelt Police Department is poised to purchase a state-of-the-art fingerprinting system that will bring the department into compliance with current law enforcement efforts to make the old "ink and roll" fingerprint cards as obsolete as carbon paper sets and mim-eograph stencils. At its September 23 regular meeting the city council approved purchase of a 3M Cogent Live Scan Booking Workstation that will meet the requirements of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Maryland State Police for local agencies to submit fingerprints electronically. According to Chief of Police James Craze, the \$33,283 cost of the equipment will be funded entirely through the department's collections of forfeited drug money and vehicles with no direct cost to the taxpayers.

The benefits of electronic submission are significant. Corporal Tim White told the city council that the new system will capture fingerprints and photographs of subjects and instantly transmit the data to the state and FBI data bases. In addition, it greatly increases the accuracy and legibility of the biometric data.

### Mobile Scanners

Purchase of nine 3M Blue-check II Mobile Remote Fingerprint Scanners for \$13,176 was also approved by the city council on the consent agenda. These mobile scanners will be funded entirely by a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice's Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. In the past the city has used JAG funds to provide mobile data terminals in police vehicles and for purchase of Panasonic Toughbook laptop computers.

Whereas the Live Scan workstation is a large machine used to scan and send new biometric data to the state for inclusion in the system, such as when a suspect is booked or a background check is being conducted, the small mobile scanners are for use in the field to scan fingerprints directly from suspects or others for immediate purposes of checking identity. The mobile scanners are used to receive information by allowing officers to gain direct access through their mobile data computers to the state's and FBI's automated fingerprint identification systems. Greenbelt police have been testing the mobile scanners for more than a year and have found them to operate very successfully.

White pointed out that in addition to police fingerprinting, the Live Scan will facilitate civilian background checks: for example, those for Recreation Department employees who must undergo screening prior to working with children. His suggestion that other civilian groups could be allowed to use the equipment for a fee was met with enthusiasm from councilmembers.

Mayor Judith Davis asked about the fingerprints parents get of their children for purposes of identification if they should be lost or abducted. White replied that since the parents keep those

fingerprint cards, rather than the data being entered into a national data base, he thought ink would probably continue to be used for that purpose. When Councilmember Leta Mach asked White if he thought the city should continue to provide that service, he agreed it should. In response to a question from Councilmember Emmett Jordan, White clarified that the state is the keeper of the data sent in by the Police Department, with none of it being stored in the city.

### Audit Suggests Changes

Greenbelt has been a little late in coming to the digital fingerprint game. The decision to purchase the Live Scan workstation was made in response to an audit of the city's criminal history record system by the FBI's Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) division. The FBI stopped accepting hard-copy (ink) fingerprint cards or other hard-copy biometrics such as palm prints in April of last year. It was acceptable for local agencies to submit fingerprints electronically via other agencies that had that capacity.

The audit found that Greenbelt was submitting some "ink and roll" fingerprints in addition to submitting some via Live Scan at the Prince George's County Department of Corrections (DOC). The arresting agency is responsible for the completeness, accuracy and time-

liness of fingerprint submissions no matter what agency submits them. The evaluations under the audit found 95 percent of Greenbelt's submissions through the DOC to be rated good or fair and found 52 percent to be timely. The audit recommended that Greenbelt work with the DOC to get up to speed on both the quality and the timeliness in order to comply with the recommended best practices. Instead the department is moving forward by acquiring the technology that will make most of that old ink disappear.

## Hear Star Stories At the Planetarium

On Friday, October 11 at 7:30 p.m. the Howard B. Owens Science Center will host a free planetarium show called "Star Stories and Stellar Science" for parents, students and community members.

The stars of autumn offer a wealth of mythology from different world cultures. The show will cover several examples, such as the Japanese Tanabata festival, celebrating the love between the stars Vega (a weaver girl) and Altair (a cowboy). In Hindu astronomy, four stars in Pegasus are actually a bed where the Moon can rest. Learn to identify these stars and others in the autumn night sky and discover the intriguing science behind them.

For more information call 301-918-8750 or email [russell.waugh@pgcps.org](mailto:russell.waugh@pgcps.org).



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- Oct. 11 4-7 pm: Wine Tasting - wines from French co-operative vineyards, Co-op Supermarket
- Oct. 12 10:30 am – 12 noon: "Worker-Owned Cooperatives Create Jobs": Two videos, "Democracy in the Workplace" and "How the Worker-Owners of Union Cab Govern Themselves" with discussion. Old Greenbelt Theatre, Roosevelt Center
- Oct. 14-18: Greenbelt Federal Credit Union celebrates Credit Union Week
- Oct. 15 7:30-9:30 pm: City Council Candidates' Forum, Municipal Building, sponsored by GHI
- Oct. 17 9 am to 2 pm: Credit Union Day - Refreshments will be served. Greenbelt Federal Credit Union, 112 Centerway.
- Oct. 18 4-7 pm: Wine Tasting, wines from Port of Leonardtown, cooperative winery, Co-op Supermarket
- Oct. 19 9 am- noon: Greenbelt Federal Credit Union Shredding Event, Municipal Bldg. Parking Lot
- 2 -4 pm: - Co-opoly Game at the New Deal Café
- Oct. 27 10 am-2 pm: – Greenbelt Cooperative Alliance Booth at Farmers Market
- Oct. 30 5-7 pm: Wine Tasting, Alsatian cooperative vineyards, Greenbelt Co-op

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# Puppetry Added to Artful Afternoon

by Tisha Claudia Lim

It has been a wonderful and pleasant afternoon for residents and nonresidents of Greenbelt to enjoy a series of puppet theater performances and marvel at the “Reflections of Imagination” at the Artful Afternoon on Sunday, October 6.

The Artful Afternoon is a monthly community event organized by the city at the Greenbelt Community Center on the first Sunday of each month.

This month, visitors and families not only got to marvel at the various artwork displayed at the center, they were also able to watch puppetry performances that lasted for an hour. In addition, they had the opportunity to talk to the resident artists about their creations and inspirations in their respective art studios.

Of course, the event does not exclude Rebecca Gardner, one of the many children who participated in the Fabric and Bead Jewelry Workshop. She enjoyed making a beaded necklace. Her mother, who is originally from England but settled in Greenbelt, said that she has brought her older children since the center first started the event years ago and the overall experience has been a fun one for her children.

Reflections of Imagination also on exhibit in the building is a non-competitive challenge open to the Greenbelt Pottery Group that required potters to span their horizon of creativity and to put their inspiration onto a 9 x 9 inch Ikea mirror. The aim of challenge does not just focus on the artwork itself, but also to develop a sense of community as well as to foster relationships between people within the community.

The idea was initiated by four people of the Greenbelt Pottery Group, according to Kerstin Hendrickson, one of the four.

“We were kind of standing around here . . . thinking this is a great idea for a community event.”

The finished artworks were mainly composed of ceramics and there were potters who used collage, mosaic and fabrics to complete their pieces, Hendrickson said.

In one of her artwork called “The Living Log Cabin,” Hendrickson incorporated birds, squirrels, cabin logs and other elements of nature in that, to some extent, resemble her home country, Sweden, which she left 40 years ago.

She did, however, face challenges during the project. “I was just building and thinking I wanted some grass that is growing up the cracks in between the logs and then during the firing it, it got into a whole crack . . . so I did fix it with some other clay in between.”



Nora Simon demonstrates how screen-printing works.

She placed two pre-cut papers under the stencil and painted a specially-made green paint on the other side of the stencil. She then used both hands to press a tool known as “squeegee” and drag it down until the ink had fully covered the cutting of the pictorial and penetrated into the paper. And voila, two fully painted trees appear.

For the last hour of the event, visitors gathered at the Community Center gym to watch a string of puppet performances and listened to folk songs sung by a pair who called themselves “Rattle Snake Hill.”

The first puppet show was particularly memorable as it did not conclude with the usual happily ever-after ending. Instead Princess Elizabeth does not marry Prince Ronald, who was unable to save her from the dragon. The audience cracked up in laughter on the unexpected and slightly satirical closing.

The next Artful Afternoon will be held on November 3 at the Community Center.

The artwork will be taken down after displaying for three to four months in pottery showcases, according to Henderson.

Visitors also get to walk into the individual art studios and take a look at the artwork created by the respective artists and, of course purchase pieces if interested. They could also talk to the artists about their work and creations

Each resident artist specializes in his or her work. Nora Simon, who shares a studio with another artist, specializes in block printing and screen-printing.

Since the whole process of screen-printing is comprehensive and hard to master, Simon demonstrated only the most basic process for the visitors.

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John Gochnour (left) and Brian Marmo watch as the new pole is raised. When it is perpendicular and the butt end rises off the ground, they will guide the size 2 pole into the 7 ft. deep hole. The next steps are to plumb the pole, backfill the hole and tamp using a pneumatic device.

# Electric Poles Are Now Being Replaced throughout Town

by Sue Krofchik

Phone poles. Electric poles. No matter what they’re called, the proper name is joint-use pole and they are being replaced throughout town. New transformers and wires are also included in this effort by PEPCO to make electric service more reliable. Work began in early 2013 and is expected to last a full year.

The C.W. Wright Construction Company from Richmond, Va., is the subcontractor for this project. One crew of workers in the Greenhill Road area of the city hails from across the country, including Tennessee, North Carolina, New Jersey, New York and Oklahoma. Justin LeBoeuf’s home is the farthest away, Washington state. Only two crewmen are able to go home each night, John Gochnour to Baltimore and John Hare to Prince Frederick.

Eddie Rivera goes home to New Jersey every Friday and leaves there at 3 a.m. each Monday to return to Greenbelt on time for work.

They “follow the work,” be it the Greenbelt project or assisting companies throughout the nation restore power after major outages. “I have things in storage in Florida, Texas, Oklahoma and Maryland,” says foreman Anselmo Salazar.

All sites were surveyed before work began and about 600 poles, 350 transformers and miles of wiring were ordered. Replacing these items is a four step process. Dig the hole, set the pole, pull the wires and remove the old pole.

### Holes and Poles

Holes must be dug by hand in all residential areas to avoid damage to pipes and, in some areas, underground wires. A seven-foot depth is required to support new 45-foot long poles. Poles for Greenbelt came from Florida, are typically pine and are treated to withstand weather and termites. No creosote is used.

They come in sizes one

through five, depending on girth and use. Size one is the largest. “Mostly twos are being used here, larger than needed,” said Larry Young, northern area manager for Wright Construction. PEPCO is making every effort to increase reliability.

### Setting Poles

Poles are transported on a flat-bed trailer from a holding area in either the Public Works yard or a recycling area in Greenbelt East. A crane lays the pole on the ground and a rope and hook are attached just up from the middle of the pole. A second crane lifts it until almost perpendicular. Two men hover carefully around the butt end of this 2,504 lb., 8 oz. pole and guide it to the hole. Once positioned in the ground the pole is plumbed and the hole backfilled and tamped using a pneumatic device.

### Pulling Wires

Two first-class linemen, one for each bucket, don yellow rubber gloves and sleeves and enter their own bucket. (Rubber boots and hard hats are mandatory for everyone.)

The bucket also holds eight-foot long orange rubber sleeves to cover existing wires. The sleeves are placed over those wires to increase safety and keep them from touching new wires. An on-site PEPCO official could not confirm voltage of these wires because of security issues, he explained.

New wires are on the ground and prepared for pulling. Buckets are raised and in some sites must be threaded between numerous tree limbs to reach the top of the new pole set a few hours earlier.

Wires are pulled up from the ground to a sag position, dead-ended and energized. Power is switched from old wires to new. Old wires are de-energized and removed.

At this point, two wires are on the new pole. One, the primary wire, carries electricity to transformers. Three secondary

wires, bundled into one tri-phase wire, go from the pole to each individual home. Previously these three wires were separate. All new wires are surrounded by more insulation than previous wires had.

Transfer of power from new lines to homes is done one home at a time after each customer is told power will be off for about 20 to 30 minutes. The workers feel it is never convenient for customers but they try their best to accommodate those with special needs.

After power is restored to the new pole the top of the old pole, where connections had been, is removed. The lower end can then safely be removed by a subcontractor.

### Other Facts

It takes about five years to learn this trade and it proceeds from the ground up. A groundman begins at apprentice level one, then two and three, moving to lineman class three, class two and then class one. A class one lineman has the knowledge and skills to perform any task.

At 45 feet, new poles are about 10 feet higher than old poles. Only electric wires can be placed at or above 25 feet. All other wires such as for telephone and cable television and any for forthcoming technology must remain below the 25-foot level.



PHOTOS BY SUE KROFCHIK

Lucas Preiser (left) hand-digs the hole for a new pole while John Hare waits to remove loosened dirt. The hole needs to be seven feet deep to hold the 45 foot new pole.



Eddie Rivera (left) and Brian Parks wrap rubber sleeves around the existing primary wire as a safety measure in preparation for “pulling.” Existing three-phase wires on existing pole are already wrapped in sleeves. New pole, right, is about 10 feet higher than existing pole.



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Stephen Backus as Princeton talking with Kate Monster played by Melissa Berkowitz.

A Review

## Puppets Gone Wild

by Jim Link

First praise, then a mild gripe from my inner Jerry Falwell or maybe my Mrs. Grundy. Avenue Q, the Tony Award winner for Best Musical in 2004, now at the Greenbelt Arts Center, is an unmitigated success.

The pre-play buzz was palpable on opening night and the 80-some audience members cheered, clapped and hooted through two-and-a-half hours of parodic fun. The principals are large puppets in search of their higher purpose in life as they scramble to survive in this coming-of-age story set in the unforgiving big city.

John Decker’s brilliant, imaginative set design, executing quick scene changes by rearranging just a few props; director Jeff Lesniak’s sound design; Dennis Giblin’s lighting; Rikki Howe’s choreography and music director Paul Nahay’s band all conspire to give the audience an evening of raucous joy. And the actors are excellent, too!

All the characters except three are puppets, hand-held by sleek, black-clad humans. This motley colony lives in the cheap housing way down on Avenue Q in an apartment complex whose landlord is Gary Coleman (Temple Fortson), the vertically challenged TV comedy star down on his luck. “It sucks to be me,” he sings.

Princeton (Stephen Backus), fresh out of college with a B.A. in English, needs a job (“I can’t pay the bills yet, ’cause I have no skills yet”) to impress ingenue Kate Monster (Melissa Berkowitz). Her rival for Princeton’s attentions is Lucy the Slut (Jenna Brouma), a Mae West-ish vamp.

Rod (Michael Iocone) and Nicky (Adam Newland) eventually acknowledge their homosexual attraction to each other.

Christmas Eve (Lauren J. Lowell) marries Brian (Jim Adams) and Joe Rolandelli plays the crude porn-loving puppet Trekkie Monster.

My gripe is that the use of puppets as characters tames the edginess of the play. The puppets, who aren’t real people after all, displace, sublimate and anesthetize the serious issues they depict. The inherently dark content is thus made to seem innocently cheerful.

Songs like “If You Were Gay,” “Everyone’s a Little Bit Racist” and “The Internet Is for Porn” are oddly and relentlessly sunny.

One big number, “You Can Be as Loud as the Hell You Want When You’re Making Love,” features acrobatically fornicating puppets that bring the Kama Sutra to life. Wildly daring, yet adorably cute!

Of course Avenue Q is a musical comedy. The chances are you’ll agree with Gary Coleman when he says, “I haven’t felt this good since I sued my parents.” Go see it through October 26 on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and on Sundays October 13 and 20 at 2 p.m.

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Other information about the program and how to apply is available at <http://redevelopment.mypgc.us> by clicking on “Services” or calling 301-883-7323.

## Hospital Holds Patient Information Programs

During the next week Doctors Community Hospital is holding three free patient programs next week:

On Tuesday, October 15 at 7 p.m. there will be a Breast Cancer Support Group meeting for women newly diagnosed or recovering from breast cancer. Meetings are held monthly on the third Tuesday of each month in Room 415 on the fourth floor of the hospital’s North Building. Call Terrie Trimmer at 240-542-3034 for more information.

Wednesday, October 16 at noon the Lymphedema Support Group meets in the fifth floor DSE Room at the hospital North Building. Those with lymphedema share experiences while learning about the latest treatment and management options. Call Michelle Williams at 301-552-8144 for more information.

Thursday, October 17 the hospital will provide a range of breast health events in the Center for Comprehensive Breast Care, Suite 110, of the Professional Office Building adjoining the hospital, including screening mammograms from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to insured and uninsured women. There will also be sessions on free clinical breast exams from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and free bra fittings from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information call the Center at 301-552-8524.

## NAMI Talk Explores Depression and Aging

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) will hold a workshop on Thursday, October 17 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway. This month’s topic, Aging and Depression, is presented by Kim Burton, director, Older Adult Programs, Mental Health Association of MD.

Although depression is a common problem among older adults, it is not a normal part of aging. The signs, symptoms and causes of depression in this population are, at times, less obvious and different than in others. It may therefore, be overlooked. Burton will discuss how to recognize this problem and seek help for older loved ones.

## Free Brazilian Dance Workshop Offered

On Tuesday, October 15 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. the Publick Playhouse in Cheverly offers a free dance workshop: Brazilian dance with Sonia Pessoa. Experience Brazilian culture in this introductory lesson in Afro-Brazilian, Samba, and Samba-Reggae.

Reservations are recommended; call 301-277-1710 to hold a spot.

# Radio Disney is Coming to Beltway Plaza!

Radio Disney is coming to Beltway Plaza on **Fri, Oct. 11 from 7 – 8pm.** The Radio Disney Crew is bringing music, games and prizes for everyone to enjoy! Stop by for a chance to win a pair of tickets to see **Selena Gomez LIVE** in concert on Oct 18<sup>th</sup> at the Wells Fargo Center and a \$100 VISA gift card.

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Contestants Sought  
For Red Ribbon Week

The theme for the 28th Red Ribbon Week (October 23 to 31) is “A Healthy Me Is Drug Free.”

The drug abuse prevention organization National Family Partnership and the federal Drug Enforcement Agency are holding a contest for parents and students to decorate the front door, mailbox or fence with a red ribbon and suitable message for this year’s theme.

The 10 winning families nationwide will win \$1,000 for their school and an iPad for their homes. To enter, submission of a photo of the family and their Red Ribbon Week “A Healthy Me Is Drug Free” decoration must be uploaded to [www.redribbon.org/contest](http://www.redribbon.org/contest) by a person 18 or older no later than Monday, November 4.

Afterward online voting will be held from November 5 through 18 at [www.redribbon.org/vote](http://www.redribbon.org/vote). Winners will be selected on December 6.

More information about the contest is at [www.redribbon.org/contest](http://www.redribbon.org/contest).

Orchid Show Moved  
To Behnke’s Nursery

On Saturday, October 12 and Sunday, October 13 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Monday, October 14 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., the 66th Annual Orchid Show will be held at Behnke’s Nurseries, 11300 Baltimore Avenue, Beltsville. The show has been relocated to Behnke’s since the National Arboretum is closed by the government shutdown.

For more information call 301-937-1100 or see Behnke’s website at [www.behnkes.com](http://www.behnkes.com) and click on Events.

Doctors Host Free  
Mammograms, Exams

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. On Thursday, October 17 Doctors Community Hospital will offer an array of events – free screening mammograms, clinical breast exams and bra fittings for women insured and uninsured.

Appointments can be scheduled or handled on a walk-in basis for women who have not had a mammogram within a year or more. To schedule in advance, call 301-552-8524.

The event will include refreshments and giveaways.

History Lecture  
At Montpelier

On Wednesday, October 16 at 7:30 p.m. Mike Lucas, an archaeologist for the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, will share findings on the War of 1812 at Nottingham along the Patuxent River. The event is free with light refreshments served. For details call 301-377-7817 or visit [www.pgpparks.com](http://www.pgpparks.com).

M-NCPPC Open  
On Columbus Day

The Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) Parks and Recreation Facilities and Programs in Prince George’s County will operate on regular schedule on Columbus Day Monday, October 14. All facilities will be open regular hours; recreation classes that meet on Mondays will also be held.

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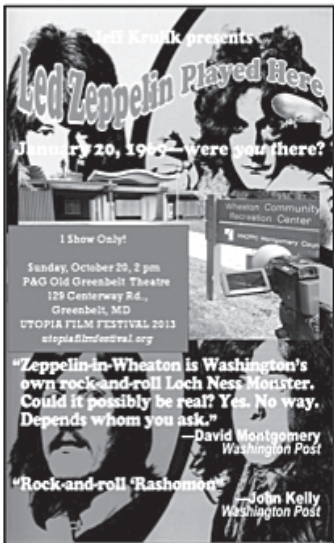


**DPRK: Land of Whispers**  
An offbeat doc about a quirky visit to North Korea, one of the most unique and isolated travel destinations in the world. (Part of program starting at 2 pm, Saturday, Oct. 19, P&G Old Greenbelt Theatre

FILMS ABOUT war & peace; love & hate; civil rights; community – building; foreign films (subtitled); sci-fi; art; rock and roll, animation by-and-for kids; a legendary Soviet computer genius revisited through his granddaughter’s animation; filmmakers from across the region and nation!

Come to Utopia! Expand your mind with movies!

**Led Zeppelin Played Here**  
1969: Half-a-million strong at Woodstock. “Sesame Street” debuts...and Led Zeppelin performs at the Wheaton Youth Center on Georgia Avenue in front of 50 confused teenagers. Or did they?  
(2 pm Sunday, Oct. 20, P&G Old Greenbelt Theatre, with filmmaker Jeff Krulik, Q&A)



**Flying Paper**  
A group of Palestinian youth set out to shatter the Guinness World Record for the most kites ever flown at once. *Flying Paper* showcases the resilience of children making and flying kites despite the harsh realities they face in their daily lives.  
(2 pm Saturday, Oct. 19, Greenbelt Municipal Building. Chris McGrath, a United Nations liaison, will introduce the film and speak afterward.)



**A Girl Like Her**  
This poignant and powerful film explores a dark side of closed adoption: how unmarried pregnant girls and women were coerced to relinquish their newborns in the 1950’s and 60’s. (12 noon Sunday, Oct. 20, P&G Old Greenbelt Theatre –Discussion)

4 Greenbelt Venues!

SATURDAY OCT. 19

SUNDAY OCT. 20

	P&G Old Greenbelt Theatre	Greenbelt Municipal Building	Greenbelt Community Center		P&G Old Greenbelt Theatre	Greenbelt Municipal Building	Greenbelt Community Center	Beltway Plaza Academy Theaters
12pm	*Out of the Fire (filmmaker Q&A)	Vital Voices  Flickering Angels  Lucky Express		12pm	A Girl Like Her (discussion follows)	FREE GATE/GAVA Kids Animation  Short Films By Kids & For Kids By Adults	10 am: Coffee, Donuts & Film: <i>The Singing City</i>  The Worst of the Worst: Portrait of a Supermax Prison  The Women Workers' War	
2pm	*From Hell to Here  DPRK: Land of Whispers  *(After film program concludes, filmmaker Q&A)	Flying Paper  (Q&A about Gaza after film)	3:30 pm *Chinatown	2 pm	*Led Zeppelin Played Here (filmmaker Q&A)	*The Swamp  *Impressions  Shoot the Moon  Posey  *(After film program concludes, filmmaker Q&A)	Out of Step  A Quest for Peace  *Not Anymore: A Story of Revolution  Drawn From Water  Reactor  *(Q&A With Filmmaker)	
4pm	System Preferences	ManDove  Strong Enough to Fight  My Kashmir	*People Live Here *Wheelchair Diaries: One Step Up *Sosua: Make a Better World	4pm		*Mr. Stokes' Mission (filmmaker Q&A)  5pm-6:30: Docs in Progress (help critique an in-progress documentary)	*Scarred Lands & Wounded Lives: The Environmental Footprint of War (filmmaker Q&A with discussion follows)	
6pm		Urban-Rural Landscapes 7	*Farewell to Factory Towns? *filmmaker Q&A's	6pm				
8pm		Gears  The Ghostly Love of Johnny X	Gaining Ground: Building Community on Dudley Street	8pm				8pm – 10pm Selections from Utopia 2013
10pm		Jack in the Box  Masque		10pm				

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